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Subject: US-Italian Civair Talks

1. US-Italian delegations have held six formal sessions since December 9, and have been able to clarify respective views on number of issues. However, illness of General Santini for past week has reduced ability of Ital del to reach decisions and, therefore, has slowed pace of negotiations.

2. Thus far, dels have covered, at least cursorily, multiple designation, capacity, routes, rates, customs and all-cargo. Status of play on these issues is:

A. Multiple designation. Italians pressing for US commitment to certify no more than two combination and one all-cargo carriers for US-Italy services. US has opposed this particularly with respect to limitation on US ability to put new carrier into Atlanta/Dallas.

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B. Capacity. Italians insist that US agree to consultations

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on introduction of Boeing 747s or other high-capacity aircraft. US has indicated willingness to consider confidential understanding on a priori and ex post facto consultations but has so far resisted inclusion 747 item. Believe both sides close to agreement on overall paper.

C. Routes. On December 12, US proposed US routes beyond Milan and Rome to FE via Bangkok, Hong Kong, Japan and beyond as well as inclusion of Naples, Pisa and Turin for all-cargo services. Italians objected to Milan on routes beyond, and to inclusion Bangkok, Hong Kong, and Japan, as well as several points of minimal revenue interest (for example, mainland China). At same time, Italians have proposed routes given in para 1, State 261542, with, however, co-terminals Boston-Chicago instead of Boston-New York. US del has agreed to drop Milan from beyonds route provided remainder of FE route is confirmed. Noted that other Italian objections to US request concern points of little revenue interest and asked Italians to reconsider.

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Re Boston-Chicago co-terminal, US del said we would consider but noted this would give Italians Chicago co-terminals with three an element major cities, which has great additional value and which not considered during statistical talks.

D. All-Cargo. Italians have proposed confidential three-year agreement incorporating predetermination and parity on frequencies. Apparently would agree to introduction of stretched-out jets but not Boeing 747s. At end of three year period, all-cargo agreement would lapse, and it would be necessary to negotiate new agreement on all-cargo. US del will propose, at early session, confidential understanding on two-year developmental period on predetermination for all-cargo services, after which bilateral air transport agreement and any understanding on capacity would take full effect.

E. Rates. Italians have proposed draft article which would strengthen role of x carrier agreements through IATA in rate enforcement. US del has stated interest in furthering

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work of IATA and willingness reconsider references to IATA in US draft agreement. Subject to be discussed again later this week.

F. Customs. Being considered by experts on both sides. Agreement appears close.

3. Negotiating atmosphere is good and Italians seem seriously interested in agreement. However, obvious that, even with best of will on both sides, will be extremely difficult to conclude agreement this week. Sticking points will be multiple designation and all-cargo and, perhaps, routes and rates.

4. Minutes of meetings being air pouched.

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